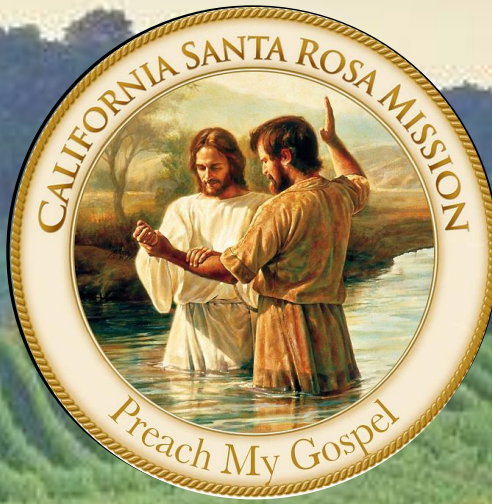


CASRM WEEKLY 4/12/21



President's Remarks

Living Water

Dear Sisters and Elders,

Many times, I have taught how incredible it would have been to be able to have been present when some of the most important events in the ecclesiastical history of the world occurred. I have pondered what it might have been like to be standing behind a tree in the Sacred Grove and witness the appearance of the Father and the Son to the young boy, Joseph. It would have been spectacular to have been present in the Kirtland Temple and witness the restoration of priesthood keys from heavenly messengers. To be present when the Savior was suffering in the Garden of Gethsemane while He petitioned help from His Father would have been life changing. I wonder what it would have been like to sit at the feet of the Savior as He taught many of His followers in Judea and Galilee. During his mortal ministry, Jesus taught in a fashion that was simple, understandable but remarkably powerful.

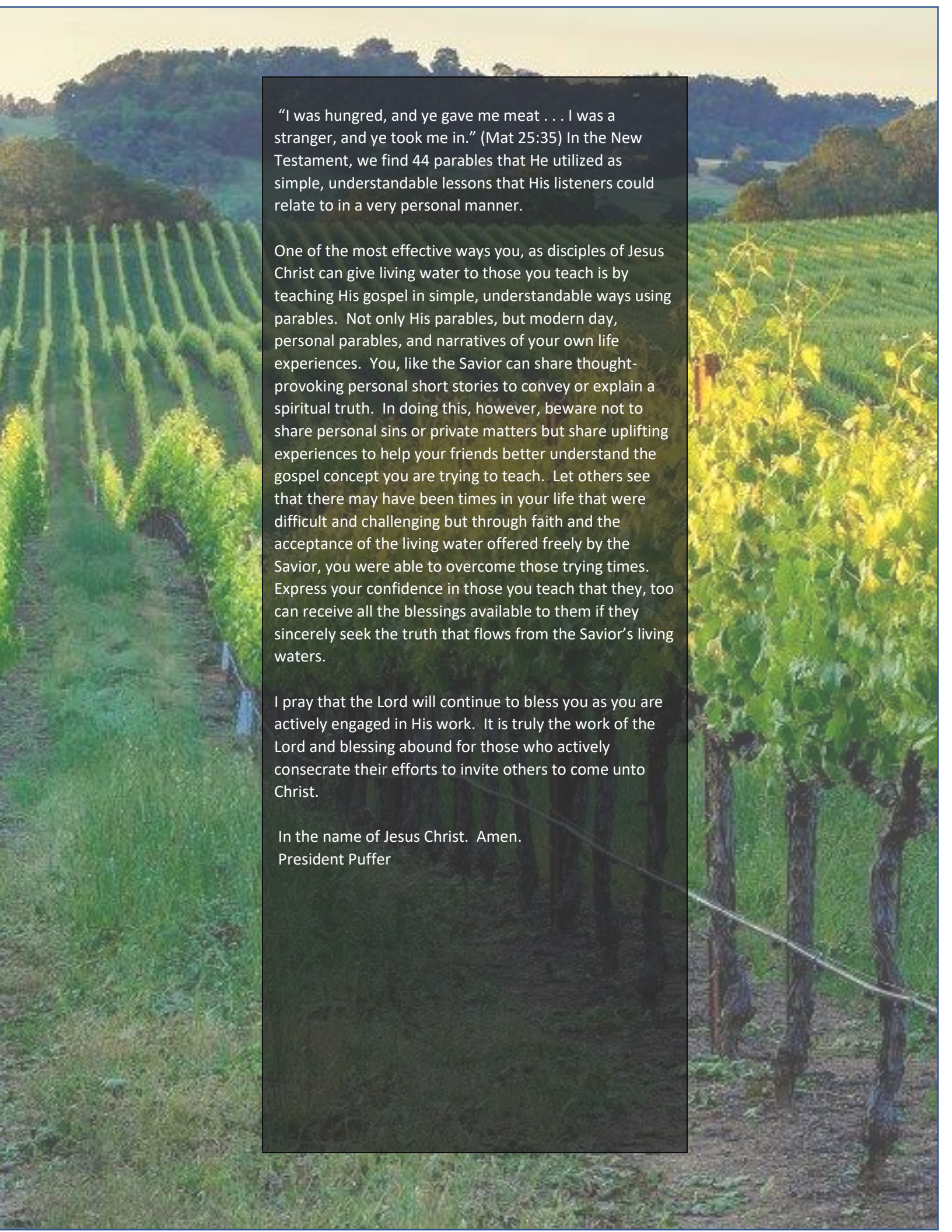
You'll remember the story of when Jesus and his disciples were traveling from Jerusalem to Galilee. They stopped at a place called Jacob's Well to rest. As the disciples traveled to a nearby town seeking nourishment, Jesus stayed at the well to wait for them. A Samaritan woman came to the well to draw water where an interesting dialogue took place between her and the Master.

"Jesus said unto her, Give me to drink . . . Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? For the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.

Jesus answered and said unto her, if thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink, thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water." Referring to the water in the well, Jesus said, *"Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: But whoso drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw."* (John 4:7, 9-15)

There is a gospel drought within the boundaries of the California Santa Rosa Mission that plagues the people of this area. It is the living water, freely offered by Jesus Christ, from which we all seek to quench our own thirst and the thirst of others that is clearly needed to end this spiritual drought. As His missionaries, you have been duly called to act as the distribution system for delivering this living water that is liberally offered by the Savior. How do you accomplish that? By teaching these truths as Jesus taught them and dispensing His living water with patience and simplicity.

He taught great lessons by using parables that would be relatable and understandable to the very people whom He taught. He taught the parable of the Lost Sheep, the Prodigal Son, the Good Samaritan, the Talents and so forth. In one of the most personal of His parables, The Savior identified Himself with the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the homeless, sick, and imprisoned.



"I was hungred, and ye gave me meat . . . I was a stranger, and ye took me in." (Mat 25:35) In the New Testament, we find 44 parables that He utilized as simple, understandable lessons that His listeners could relate to in a very personal manner.

One of the most effective ways you, as disciples of Jesus Christ can give living water to those you teach is by teaching His gospel in simple, understandable ways using parables. Not only His parables, but modern day, personal parables, and narratives of your own life experiences. You, like the Savior can share thought-provoking personal short stories to convey or explain a spiritual truth. In doing this, however, beware not to share personal sins or private matters but share uplifting experiences to help your friends better understand the gospel concept you are trying to teach. Let others see that there may have been times in your life that were difficult and challenging but through faith and the acceptance of the living water offered freely by the Savior, you were able to overcome those trying times. Express your confidence in those you teach that they, too can receive all the blessings available to them if they sincerely seek the truth that flows from the Savior's living waters.

I pray that the Lord will continue to bless you as you are actively engaged in His work. It is truly the work of the Lord and blessing abound for those who actively consecrate their efforts to invite others to come unto Christ.

In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.
President Puffer

How are we doing?

Mission Monthly Goal = 30

of Baptisms: Jan - 23
Feb- 20
Mar - 26

CASRM Baptisms

Mission Monthly Goal

35

Current Month

5

■ Current Month ■ Mission Monthly Goal

LAST WEEK

Zones	Baptisms	New on Date	Total on Date	New at Church	Total at Church	New People being taught
Eureka	0	1	1	7	17	13
Ukiah	0	0	2	1	7	18
Santa Rosa	1	5	11	15	42	24
San Rafael	1	1	3	14	40	25
Napa	0	3	4	11	34	11
Fairfield	0	1	4	4	22	10
Vacaville	0	0	1	3	13	5
Woodland	0	1	2	9	18	5
Mission Total	2	12	28	64	193	111
Zone Average	0.3	1.5	3.5	8.0	24.1	13.9

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMPANIONSHIP STUDY: WEEK #4

INTERVIEW SCHEDULE:

Tues, Apr 13 -- Napa
Wed, Apr 14 -- Fairfield
Thur, Apr 15 -- Vacaville
Fri, Apr 16 -- Woodland
Tues, Apr 20 -- Ukiah
Wed, Apr 21 -- Santa Rosa
Thurs, Apr 22 -- San Rafael

Institute Class –
"Foundations of the Restoration"
Every Tues 9pm.

"The District" Schedule :

Mar 22 - Apr 5 District 1: Episode 1
Apr 6 - Apr 19 District 1: Episode 2
Apr 20 - May 3 District 1: Episode 3
May 4 - May 17 District 2: Episode 1
May 18 - May 31 District 2: Episode 2
Jun 1 - June 14 District 2: Episode 3

BAPTISMS

Hermana Goeckeritz, Raezer
& Fuller

Paco



Sister Hoelscher & Phillips

Jeremiah

